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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Ronald H. Sass of Roselle, who passed away on December 20, 2010; and

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WHEREAS, Ronald Hilmer Sass was born in Berwyn, on May 31, 1943, to Hilmer and Winifred "Peg" Sass; he was baptized as a child on October 6, 1943, with his sister Donna Mae, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Willow Springs (now Burr Ridge); and

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WHEREAS, He was instructed in the Lutheran faith at Trinity Lutheran in Willow Springs and confirmed his faith on April 14, 1957; he attended the Palisades Elementary School in Willow Springs; he was a graduate of Lyons Township South High School in Western Springs and then attended Eureka College; and

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WHEREAS, He served his country in the United States Air Force from 1962 to 1965; he was stationed in New Mexico, Okinawa, and Thailand; he was involved as a member of American Legion Post 1084; and

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WHEREAS, He worked as a salesman for Peabody Industrials of England selling capital equipment to the aluminum and steel industry; he became a purchasing agent for Genco-GFG Peabody, a manufacturer of coil coating equipment, in West Sussex,

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1 Wisconsin; and

2 WHEREAS, He met the woman of his life, Christine Birdsall,
3 an owner of a travel agency, on a blind date set up by his
4 friends at work; on September 9, 1967, they were married at the
5 Elmhurst United Church of Christ; and

6 WHEREAS, He was the senior trustee on the Village Board of
7 Roselle, serving for 24 years; from 1985 to 1987, he was a
8 member of the Zoning Board of Appeals; he was a Roselle
9 delegate to the referendum advisory committee of the DuPage
10 Water Commission in 1985; he was appointed to the committee of
11 the Northern DuPage Cable Television Agency and the Roselle
12 Sister City Commission, which sent him as a representative to
13 Bochnia, Poland; he also served as mayor pro tem several times;
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15 WHEREAS, He enjoyed fishing, golfing, playing cards, good
16 music, and traveling; he was a member of Trinity Lutheran
17 Church in Roselle; and

18 WHEREAS, Ronald Sass is survived by his wife, Christine;
19 his son, Richard; his mother, Peg; his sisters, Donna Mae
20 (Edward) Mersch and Peggy (Norval "Bud") Barger; his brother,
21 Robert H. (Poppi) Sass; his brother-in-law, James (Sandra)
22 Birdsall; and many nieces, nephews, and friends; therefore, be

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2 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL
3 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
4 his family and friends, the passing of Ronald Sass; and be it
5 further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
7 presented to the family of Ronald Sass as a symbol of our
8 sincere sympathy.